

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 16, 1994**

DIRECTION FOR STAFF TO LOOK INTO REQUEST FOR FOUR-WAY STOP AT CENTURY BOULEVARD AND SCARBOROUGH AVENUE; REQUEST FOR STAFF TO LOOK INTO EROSION OF LEVEE AT PIGS LAKE; AND UPDATE OF ACTION TAKEN AT LAST COG MEETING

Council Member Pennino requested that the letter the City Council received regarding a request for a four-way stop at the intersection of Century Boulevard and Scarborough Avenue be placed on a future agenda. Mr. Pennino also commented on a letter that was received by the Lodi Lake Nature Area Docent Council regarding the erosion of the levee in Pigs Lake and suggested that this matter be put on a future agenda as well.

Further, Council Member Pennino updated the City Council on the actions taken at the last meeting of the San Joaquin County Council of Governments (COG). Four park-and-ride lots were funded at the last meeting. One was submitted by the City of Lodi for the construction of a hundred-space park-and-ride lot located on the corner of Lower Sacramento Road and Kettleman Lane which is being paid for by Measure K funds. Also approved was a Proposition 116 application for \$141,000 to do environmental and preliminary engineering work for the multi-modal stations which is being proposed at Lodi, Tracy and Manteca. The California Transportation Commission has put money aside pending a discussion with Southern Pacific and Union Pacific on which rail will be serving Amtrak, therefore, holding up the Lodi station for a little while. COG has been meeting with State officials encouraging them to move forward. Mr. Pennino also informed the public about a group sponsoring a state-wide initiative from the planning and conservative league that would add a sales tax on gasoline of about 4% and encouraged citizens to read the projects carefully before signing. COG voted no on the matter.

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LODI LAKE NATURE AREA DOCENT COUNCIL

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TO THE LODI CITY COUNCIL

Gentlemen:

This letter is to express the concern of the members of the Lodi Lake Nature Area Docent Council about the erosion occurring along the levee between the east side of Pigs Lake and the Mokelumne River.

Pigs Lake is filled by seepage from the river. However, the level of the lake is considerably lower than normal because part of the bottom of the river has washed away. This has caused the water in Pigs Lake to seep more rapidly into the river.

If the river washes out the levee by Pigs Lake, the river will be open to the lake. At its highest level, Mokelumne River will not go past Pigs Lake. It is crucial that Pigs Lake be conserved for the variety of plant and animal life occurring there. The lake and the plant life surrounding it sustain, among other species, populations of Pacific pond turtles, green herons, beaver, ducks, and egrets.

Last year temporary repairs were made to the levee between Pigs Lake and the Mokelumne River. We understand that discussions are being held with a state agency for grant funds to effect permanent repairs. Our concern is that these funds may not be available in time for the necessary work to be done before the Woodbridge Irrigation District dam is raised again this summer. We would like to know the status of this grant request and what action is anticipated to make permanent repairs to the levee in this area.

Respectfully,

LODI LAKE NATURE AREA DOCENT COUCIL

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